# OVERSIGHT BOARD OF SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO CATHERAL CITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

# **Board Meeting Minutes**

**August 30, 2012** 

**City of Cathedral City** 

9:00 A.M.

**Study Session Room** 

### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:02 A.M.**

## **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Members - DeRosa, Aguilar, Howell, Henry, Scott, England .Absent: Howell.

**CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA** – Confirmed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – No Public Comments were presented.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Approval unanimously passed.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. No informational items presented

#### **BUSINESS ITEMS**

 Consideration of a Resolution <u>OB-2012-12</u> of the Oversight Board approving both the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedules for January 1, 2013 through June 30, 2013; ("ROPS") to include an administrative budget as required by Health & Safety Code 34177(I).

A Staff report was presented to the Board by Tami Scott. Ms. Scott explained the challenges Agencies were having in meeting the compliance changes presented in AB1484, the role of the Successor Agency & Oversight Board for housing related information; extended review periods by the Department of Finance; posting & review requirements for disposition of real property; additional audit requirements (while experiencing a shortage of available audit firms); and, meeting specific time period deadlines for submittal of the Housing Asset Transfer List, which was completed by the deadline date of August 1, 2012, and the ROPS submission date of September 1, 2012 without the benefit of RPTTF numbers from the County Auditor Controllers office. Substantial penalties would result for late submittals. While the contents of this latest ROPS were similar to previous ROPS submittals, the Jan – Jun 2013 submission had two noteworthy changes which included an allocation, pursuant to an enforceable obligation by way of an Owner Participation and Disposition and Development

Agreement with the City Urban Revitalization Corporation (CURC) for the Hotel Project, that included the final acquisition of two properties for the completion of hotel site development. These are funds that were specifically identified and allocated from the Redevelopment Agency's 2007 Bond Issue. Also, an allocation (carried forward from previous ROPS) allowing relocation of residents and demolition of the remaining Agency owned properties on the East Side of the City.

Opened for discussion: Member Aguilar inquired as to why a couple of the items on the ROPS did not have contract execution dates? Ms. Scott explained contracts such as the Fire Station would have to maintain open end dates, and even though the demolition portion of the Fire Station project was completed, we do not have firm dates for the actual building construction dates. Member England inquired if the Agency had sufficient reserves set aside for bond debt service. Ms. Scott explained that required reserves are held with the Trustees for the Bond Issues however with assessed valuations decreasing over the past several years, the Agency is challenged with getting enough RPTTF to make its bond payments. Member England then inquired what would be the outcome if the Agency could not meet its Bond debt obligations. Ms. Scott explained in the event RPTTF would be insufficient, Bonds that were insured would be responsibility of the insurers. For bonds not insured, a declaration of default could be declared by investors and negotiated payments would need to be made depending upon available RPTTF. Agency Attorney Charles Green suggested to the Board that they adopt an informal action to authorize Member Scott to file an objection to any adverse unilateral decisions that the DOF may make in the future, in order to preserve the legal rights of the board. The board approved this suggestion without objection and agreed to make it an Agenda Item at the next Board Meeting.

Motion: A motion was made by member England to adopt Resolution B-2012-12 approving and ratifying the January 1 to June 30, 2013 ROPS with a second made by Member Wade and was carried by the following vote:

AYES: DeRosa, England, Aguilar, Ellis, Henry, Scott

NOES: None ABSENT: Howell

**CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBERS' ITEMS** – The next two Board Meetings were set for October 1 and October 11.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Meeting adjourned at 9:46 A.M. without objection.

cc: K. DeRosa C. England
J. Aguilar W. Ellis
S. Henry L. Howell
T. Scott D. Bradley
C. Green S. Toles
J. Sherman A. Hall

K. Biersack